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1. The disclosure on page 2 of the present specification and the submission of an English language abstract for JP-A-10-323931 constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP-A-10-323931.

2. The disclosure on page 2 of the present specification and the submission of an English language abstract for JP-A-2002-373056 and citing corresponding U.S. Patent 6,937,230 B2 constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP-A-2002-373056.

3. The disclosure on pages 2 and 3 of the present specification and the submission of an English language abstract for JP-A-2001-84839 and citing corresponding U.S. Patent 6,495,253 B1 constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP-A-2001-84839.

4. The disclosure on page 3 of the present specification and the submission of an English language abstract for JP-A-2002-36452 and citing corresponding U.S. Patent 6,613,426 B2 constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP-A-2002-36452.

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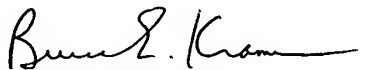
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